

REMARKS:

Examiner Shankar is thanked for the Office Action August 11, 2006, and for the indication that claims 3-4, 18-19 and 26-27 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. As noted by the Examiner, the prior art fails to teach an input system wherein the instruction set instructs a change of a display magnification ratio of the processing object area displayed on the display screen in response to an operation of the second input device as claimed in claims 3, 18 and 26. The prior art also fails to teach an input system wherein the instruction set instructs a change of a display size of an object contained within the processing object area displayed on the display screen in response to an operation of the second input device as claimed in claims 4, 19 and 27.

Accordingly, Applicant has rewritten allowable claim 3 in independent form.

Applicant has incorporated allowable claim 4 into independent claim 1, and canceled claim 4. Claims 2 and 5-15 all depend from amended claim 1.

Applicant has incorporated allowable claim 19 into independent claim 16, and canceled claim 19. Claims 17, 20, 21 and 22 all depend from amended claim 16.

Allowable claim 18 has been rewritten in independent form.

Claim 23 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 4 therein.

Applicant has incorporated allowable claim 26 into independent claim 24, and canceled claim 26. Claims 25, 28 and 29 all depend from amended claim 24.

Allowable claim 27 has been rewritten in independent form.

Claim 30 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 4 therein.

No new matter has been added, and the amendments herein do not necessitate the need for any additional search. Applicant submits that the amendments herein place all pending claims in condition for allowance. Entry of the amendments and allowance of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

Applicant submits herewith the fee for three additional independent claims, which were allowable dependent claims 3, 18 and 27 re-written in independent form. It is believed that no other fees are due with this submission. Should that determination be incorrect, then please debit Account No. 50-0548 and notify the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Schrot', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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